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WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY

Joseph Laver Makes His Opportunity



HIS month's prize leadership story comes from California but it is about an Ohio boy. Frank Spurrier, assistant State club leader in California, tells the story. He says:

"Joseph Laver, 19 years of age, is the first of ten children in the Laver family. He entered club work in Ohio ten years ago and attended three of the annual conventions at Columbus. The picture of one of these conventions is proudly hung in the parlor of his California home. Joseph has been instrumental in helping his father try modern methods of farming and he and his father have now 33 head of purebred dairy stock, a number of registered Duroc-Jersey swine, and about 2,000 acres of land. Joseph's father attributes these results to the boy's agricultural club work done in Ohio.

"The Laver family moved to Modoc County, Calif., from Ohio less than four years ago. In Modoc County we have no resident extension agent because the population is small, the distance great, and the agriculture scattering. So much, however, did Joseph Laver believe in club work that he began the promotion of clubs in that county on his own initiative with the result that in 1926 there were organized clubs in six communities with eight volunteer leaders in charge and Joseph the leader of these. There were 101 club members enrolled in these six communities.

"Joseph's home is at an elevation of 4,200 feet above sea level and farming activities are largely confined to the summer months. During the past summer, although working hard on the farm, Joseph devoted all his spare time to the furtherance of club work with a missionary zeal that was remarkable.

"In October, when the annual convention of agricultural club winners was held at the branch of the college of agriculture located at Davis, near Sacramento, Joseph organized and successfully piloted 36 club members and their leaders over the Sierra Nevada Mountains, down to Davis, and return. Special rates were offered by the railroads, one of which is a narrow-gage line. Some of the delegates on this trip from Modoc County had never ridden on a railroad train before.

"We are proud of Joseph Laver's work when we consider that there are no resident extension agents in Modoc County, that there is no organized cooperating agency in the county at this time, that the county is located on the other side of the Sierra Nevada Mountains one full night and one day's ride from the State office, that club work was entirely new to the people, and that Joseph so carefully laid his plans for their promotion before the clubs were actually organized. The bankers, newspapers, and business men and farmers are all sold to the value of club work and the club program will no doubt thrive through future years under Joseph's leadership. Much credit for this success is due to the training received by Joseph in agricultural club work in Ohio."



SIX YEARS A CLUB LEADER So M. Alma Bowles, Taylor County, Ky., and her club held a sixth-anniversary program with all the former club members in the county present and with letters and reports from those who had moved away. Miss Bowles and all six "sets" are proud of this year's record, 21 projects started and 21 completed; 13 business meetings with 94.9 per cent attendance; 17 practice meetings; delegate to State junior week financed by club; all club finances, amounting to over \$40, taken care of by the club; \$8 donated to improve the community school equipment and grounds; four club trips; eight prizes won by club members.

Wisconsin held a leadership training course during the recent farmers' week, where problems of leadership and how to meet them were discussed. What to do at club meetings and how to do it was demonstrated.

The first state-wide leaders' training conference for Arizona 4-H leaders is to be held during the annual boys' and girls' club week, next June at the college of agriculture, Tucson. Two training meetings for club leaders are to be held in each county having a club program, the series beginning in January.

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One hundred and seventeen quarterly training meetings for leaders of girls' clubs were held in Mississippi last year. There were 151 training meetings for leaders of white boys' clubs with 1,426 attending, and 98 for leaders of negro boys' clubs with an attendance of 638.

Thirty of the most outstanding 4-H club leaders of Missouri have been selected in a contest just closed to represent their counties in Missouri's first state-wide club leader's conference during junior farmers' week at Columbia early in May. Travel and other expenses up to \$900 will be paid by the Woman's National Exposition, an organization of club women in St. Louis, Mo., which fostered the contest. Achievements of these 30 delegates include an average service of 3.4 years as leaders of 4-H clubs; an average of 92 per cent of all members of their clubs completing 1926 work; while 16 of the 30 leaders conducted 100 per cent completion clubs. The Cass County leader, Miss Margaret Sadler, has had the longest service, 10 years.



Camp leaders, trained by the Ohio extension service in a state-wide camp before the season opened, helped to make the club camps held in 60 counties this past summer enjoyable events for the boys and girls.

Ohio's local club leaders in 76 counties met last year with officers of their clubs and the extension agents -- 1,452 leaders altogether, and 5,765 club officers -- for training and planning. Presidents, news reporters, secretaries, and recreational leaders took training for their particular duties while leaders brushed up on the subject "Know the boy and girl."

Charles E. Potter, Montana State club leader, recently made a study of local leadership for clubs, and the preliminary report has been mimeographed. Among the points in the study were activities of leaders in connection with their clubs; activities they found most difficult and on which help is desired; information regarding the selection, experience, and training of the leaders. Of those reporting, 63 per cent felt their most difficult problem to be the training of demonstration teams. Other common difficulties were developing the club program, training judging teams, achievement-day meetings, and newspaper publicity. Questionnaires for the study were returned by 167 local leaders.

Ten local leaders help Anna Rowe, Catawba County, N. C., home demonstration agent, with the work of an active club membership of 568 girls. The leaders meet with Miss Rowe each month for training in the next month's activities. Clothing and foods work chiefly interested the girls last year. In clothing 370 girls enrolled, and every one completed. The entire membership enrolled for the foods work, and 356 completed.

WASHINGTON BOUND

The list of club members coming to the national club camp June 16 to 22, grows. Those who have been reported to the Washington office to date are:

Arkansas

Hazel Craig, Union County.
Madeline Tankersley, Sebastian
County.
Maudrel Ferguson, Gradley County.
Heywood Lloyd, Logan County.

Georgia

Modane Marchbanks, Hall County.
Elsie Todd, Clarke County.

Massachusetts

Agnes Kendrick, Barnstable County.
Edna Goodhind, Hampden County.
Costas Carrigianis, Middlesex
County.
Howard Waterman, Plymouth County.

Wyoming

Clair Stickley, Albany County.
Clarence Hale, Lincoln County.
Tennessee Gwynn, Big Horn County.
Helen Holmberg, Fremont County.

Texas

Fontilla Johnson, Van Zandt County.
Ruth Ebner, Jefferson County
Homer Sheffield, Harris County.
I. J. Thornton, Lubbock County.

Mississippi

Clarence Posy, Neshoba County.
John Ora Cook, jr., Noxubee County.
Monie Talbert, Lauderdale County.
Gladiola Branscome, Montgomery
County.

Tennessee

Glenn Mowery, Bradley County.
Samuel H. Cate, jr., Knox County.

Indiana

Gladys Keiser, Whitley County.
Mary Oliver, Montgomery County.
Homer Stillabower, Johnson County.
Alfred Wallace, Posey County.

Kentucky

Pauline Yeiser, Daviess County.
Mabel McDowell, Bracken County.
George Moreland Harris, Carroll
County.
Ollie J. Price, Caldwell County.

Florida

Tom Prator, jr., Pasco County.
Russell Henderson, Madison County.

ALL WRONG! Those spiffy suits the boys are going to wear at the camp are not khaki-colored at all. They are "Forest Service green." Now what do you think of that!

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THE PROGRAM They have promised to speak at the camp. Looked like they enjoyed promising. From the legislative branch of the government, James Benjamin Aswell, Representative from the Eighth Louisiana District, ranking member of his party on the House agricultural committee. From the executive branch, John James Tigert, United States Commissioner of Education.

Mr. Aswell has known our House of Representatives from the inside for 16 years. Before that he was closely associated with educational matters in Louisiana as president of Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, of Louisiana State Normal College, and State superintendent of public education. He has recently returned from a study of European agriculture.

Mr. Tigert has been Commissioner of Education since 1921. Previous to that he found time between mountain climbing and similar pieces of real work to be a faculty member of Missouri Central College, Kentucky Wesleyan College, and University of Kentucky. Was Tennessee's first Rhodes scholar, and likes to remember the days when life meant the glorious responsibilities of captain of Vanderbilt University football team.

NO WASTE MOTION HERE R. A. Turner, Central States, planner of tours, is arranging each day's educational trip for camp members so that things of interest may be seen on a minimum of steps and effort. On no day will there be more than 3 miles of walking, and there will be enough stops within the 3 mile limit to avoid undue weariness. Mr. Turner knows this, for he has made the trips, himself, armed with pedometer, watch, maybe a compass, a thermometer, and other impedimenta.



WHO'S WHO AMONG THE DELEGATES



Hazel Craig and Madeline Tankersley of the Arkansas delegation are food producers as well as conservers. Hazel Craig's five years' membership in Union County has been devoted to raising poultry, gardening, and canning. She has produced \$1,766 worth of food, valued at local prices, and has canned 880 quarts of fruits and vegetables. Most of this time, too, she served as an officer in her club. She has been putting her knowledge to immediate use, also, for she and her grandmother are home makers for six younger brothers and sisters.

When Madeline Tankersley of Sebastian County joined a club in 1920 she decided to try pig raising and for three years found good money and good sport in it. Gradually she added foods, clothing, and canning work, and in her fifth club year she was the Arkansas champion health club girl. Schooling expenses, she finds, can be managed by vigorous application of the four H's.

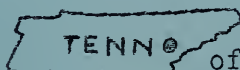
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A club member since he was 10 years old, Heywood Lloyd of Logan County, Ark., has a sizable set of records to show what happens when you cultivate corn and cotton and pigs in the best possible way. His soil is upland but more than once he has made a bale of cotton to the acre. He has represented his county at the district short course several years and has been a member of a number of district and State judging teams.

Maudrel Ferguson induced the other boys of his community to form a club and attack the profitable production problem in Bradley County, Ark. in 1922. He admits that when they began growing cotton there were cynics who laughed and said, "You boys will spend more than your whole crop will make that way," but, he adds, their neighbors were interested and have been using the club methods with much satisfaction for several years. This year his club of 14 boys tried potato growing and shipped a two-carload crop with good profit. Maudrel has been club president and a member of county and State judging teams.



Glen Mowery, Bradley County, Tenn., represents five years of steady progress in club work. For four years he has grown corn, adding cotton to his crop list two years ago. The average-quality soil on his father's farm has not made any phenomenal performances for him but skillful planning has given Glen some profit from every crop, even in the most adverse season. Profits and prize money are adding up for college expenses. As leader of his local club he has doubled the enrollment and this year every member exhibited at the county and district fairs and made complete reports of their work.

Sam Cate of Knox County, Tenn., has spent three years making satisfying records in feeding pigs. He regularly assists as herdsman at club shows and sales and was in charge of the club animals at the district fair last fall. He is 18 years old.



Russell Henderson, coming from Madison County to represent Florida, is twice a State champion. His Duroc-Jersey was grand champion at county and State fairs in club and open rings last year and his 1924-pounds-per-acre seed cotton won the State championship in that line the same year. He has been a club member five years, developing a substantial farming enterprise through his club work.

Tom Prater, Florida's delegate from Pasco County, is an expert in the pig business but finds time, too, to serve as officer in his local club. In 1926 he was pinch-hitter for his father who was ill, taking charge of the farm, feeding a herd of pigs and 500 hens, and yet sticking to the business of going to school. He has been in club work three years.

HOW THEY ARE COMING Washington State delegates are coming on dimes. The present plan is for each club member in the State to pay 10 cents on the total expense account of their representatives.



To be brought in on a paper - one South Carolina club girl, through the interest of The Columbia Record, daily newspaper of Columbia, S. C.

Did you ever travel on a candy box? Howard Waterman, delegate from Massachusetts, had no such intentions when he asked his sister to make a 4-pound box of candy for sale at the Halifax poultry club supper, January 21. A hundred and fifty hungry people came to the supper and G. L. Farley, State club leader made the 151st. G. L. promised Howard to auction off the box of candy, but he "dinna let on" that he had a trick of his own to pull off. Offering the candy Mr. Farley told of the object of the national camp and then said one of the Halifax boys had been selected for a delegate from Massachusetts. The candy sold for \$16 and additional subscriptions assuring Howard's expenses were received within 15 minutes.



Something like the Texas club delegate's vehicle, isn't it? A cake auctioned off at the farmers' short course, College Station.

CAMP PLANS ELSEWHERE are in various stages, including the nebulous. "You may count on North Carolina," writes L. R. Harrill, State club agent. We can always count on North Carolina. New York, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Colorado, Montana, Idaho, and Oregon are busily thinking on ways and means. Here's hoping!

Pennsylvania has sent out an announcement of the camp, explaining the object, the plans, and the requirements for selection of delegates. It concludes by expressing the belief that "this is a splendid opportunity for a few outstanding Pennsylvania club members to make a worthwhile contact with wide-awake young people from all over the country. The historical backgrounds of Washington and its interest as the seat of our national government make it especially attractive as a location for such a national camp."

THE FREE HALF DAY These days of budgeting this and budgeting that make one think twice about spending so rare a thing as some free time. The camp program provides a half day which each member of the camp may spend as he likes. R. A. Turner, tour master for the camp, on the next page takes us in imagination up beautiful Sixteenth Street, once called the Avenue of the Presidents, to see if there are things here to be jotted down for inspection on that free half day.

LITTLE "PERSONALLY CONDUCTED TOURS" ABOUT WASHINGTON

by "The Tour Master"

TOUR I -- SIXTEENTH STREET

The ordinary visitor in Washington has but one or two days, usually, to see the sights. So he does what the traveler usually does, boards a sight-seeing bus and sees a few of the best-known places of interest.

Not so with those attending the National club camp next June. They are not ordinary visitors, they are "extra-ordinary." So, in addition to the regular tours arranged for the week of the camp, let's take a few short trips to see some of the "extra-ordinary" things about our Nation's Capital. Suppose we travel up Sixteenth Street today.

This beautiful thoroughfare runs straight north 5 or more miles from its starting point at La Fayette Square opposite the White House. We get a suggestion of its cosmopolitan character from the statues in the Square, to Kosciuszko, von Steuben, Rochambeau, and La Fayette. This is further appreciated as we pass the many embassies or legations used by the representatives of other countries in diplomatic relations with the United States.

That building across the corner is St. John's Episcopal Church, built in 1814 and frequently called "Church of the Presidents" because 10 Presidents - Madison, Monroe, John Quincy Adams, Jackson, Van Buren, Harrison, Tyler, Fillmore, Buchanan, and Arthur - attended service there. In it is a pew reserved for the President and his family. We'll see other beautiful churches, too.

Those of you who read the National Geographic Magazine or study its pictures will be glad to see the headquarters of that society which is here on our left. Several other organizations have their national headquarters on this street.

After we pass Scott Circle, the Carnegie Institution, and the Masonic Scottish Rite Temple, we come to Meridian Hill Park, which marks the crossing of the old "Washington meridian." Notice the "castle" opposite us. That's the home of Mrs. John B. Henderson who gave the park to the city and who, also, has had much to do with the development and beautification of this interesting street. She it was who built this mansion on our right and offered it to Congress as a home for the Vice President. Congress didn't accept it, however.

We'll return from this point and you can have a second view of these interesting places, and I'll point out some additional ones. I think we will get back to La Fayette Square just in time to see the "time ball" on top of the State, War, and Navy Building. Time signals are sent each day from the Naval Observatory to this building, and exactly at noon the ball drops, thus officially determining the time. The signal goes out over all telegraph lines east of the Rockies and is also broadcast by the Arlington radio station.

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TAKING TO THE TIMBER Nineteen States now have forestry work for 4-H club members on their programs. New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Kansas, South Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Colorado in 1925 were the pioneers. Michigan, New Jersey, and Wisconsin began in 1926, and North Carolina, Connecticut, and Minnesota have trails blazed for a busy 1927.

Vermont, thinks E. L. Irgalls, the State club leader, may lay claim to being the first to have a girls' forestry club. This one is in Orleans County, has 10 members who have been learning all sorts of woodcraft and are now planning to procure a tract of land and plant trees of their own.

Tennessee forestry club members are planting the pecks of black locust seeds this spring which they gathered, dried, and stored as their means of entrance into the club last fall.

New York club members have planted 92,000 trees to date, 95 boys completing their projects.

New Hampshire forestry members planted 58,400 seedlings last year and did improvement work on 81 acres of woodland. There are 40 members to date. East Jaffrey club in Cheshire County has 30 members who have improved eight acres of woodland.



"Plant a forest and grow up with the trees," say North Carolina forestry club boys. Those who are not planting may take charge of the improvement of a half an acre of timber or may study tree identification and quality of woods.

Connecticut also has outlined three phases for forestry work; woodcraft, planting, and wood-lot management. One of the features of the woodcraft enterprise is the building of a log cabin or a lean-to.

New Jersey's first forestry club, organized in Warren County in 1926, required that the member should have the loan of at least 1 acre of abandoned or low-production farm land. On this the member made a combination planting of pine and spruce, the pine as a timber crop and the spruce as fillers to be removed at an early age for Christmas trees. This was planned to give the boys a sizable income in six to eight years when most of them will need money to help finance their college education or a farm enterprise of their own.

Wisconsin's members are called "junior forest rangers." They may advance through four "orders" -- forest crafter; forest planter; woodsman; and cruiser. One thing a forest crafter may learn is to make a bow and arrows with which he can shoot 300 feet, keeping three arrows in the air at the same time. There are suggestions too, of ways in which the woodcrafter can make money.

Pennsylvania's forestry club membership increased from 15 to 33 members last year, and every member completed the year's work. They are interested in planting.

St. Louis County, Minn., has two forestry clubs with 59 members.

Every forestry club member is, per se, a forest protector of conviction and of habit.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

South Dakota - Junior short course, March 1-4, all-college day, March 4, Brookings.

Minnesota - Club short courses for northwestern and central Minnesota, March 28 to April 1, Morris and Crookston.

Connecticut - State club round-up, April 29-30, Hartford.
Junior short course, August 1-9, Storrs.

Missouri - Junior farmers' week, first week of May, Columbia.

Nebraska - Club week, May 30 to June 3, Lincoln.

Virginia - Club short course, July 25-30, Blacksburg.

Ohio - Club congress, November 7-12, Columbus.

Mississippi - County 4-H rallies, March and April, Levee County.
County 4-H camps, June and July.
State club congress, first week of August, A. and M. College.

POWER OF THE PRESS

"I HAVE READ a lot in the farm papers about them," writes a farm girl to the department from a far away, thinly settled county, inquiring about 4-H clubs. "They interest me so much that I would like to be a member of one."

MAKING THINGS MORE INTERESTING. That is the title of a correspondence course of the Ohio extension service on Writing for the Community Newspaper, for club boys and girls of the State. The four sections of the course are (1) news: a way of looking at it; (2) finding the story in things; (3) the right way to write news; (4) writing for the newspapers. At the end of each lesson is a list of questions and suggestions which the student is asked to use in writing a letter back to the extension editors.

So far the course has been offered in about 40 of Ohio's 88 counties, and it has followed an hour's discussion on news writing by the extension news editor, a club leader, or a local newspaper man at the officers' training meetings in the spring. Club reporters are invited but not unduly urged to take the course. About 200 were enrolled in the course in 1926.

ON THE EDITORIAL PAGE of the newspapers, some one has said, are reflected the interests, desires, and beliefs of the people they serve. Students in a future era, digging up from dusty newspaper files illuminating facts about the forgotten period which is our "today," will find on unexpected editorial pages, such as those of business and trade papers, favorable reference to organizations for farm boys and girls called 4-H clubs. Should they chance upon the files of The Omaha Daily Journal-Stockman they will find a dozen or more editorials on this subject in the course of a year. Perhaps they may read that of February 1, 1927, which concludes--

"There must be some satisfaction in being associated with club work at the college or out in the State anywhere as local leaders. There are rewards in plenty--not monetary but in the satisfaction of noting how raw recruits from the farms have enrolled in club work and have caught a new vision of the farm, the farm home, and the community. Club work deserves the sympathetic support of everyone who believes in a greater agriculture and a greater Nebraska."

This editorial was written by H. Howard Biggar, farm editor of the Journal-Stockman, a staunch friend of farm boys and girls and their 4-H organization.

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EXCHANGES The CLUB LEADER acknowledges receipt of the January number of The Webster County Watchword, edited and published by the 4-H girls' clubs of Webster County, Iowa. Its five mimeographed pages give a calendar of the year's coming club events, signed items from nine clubs, and announcements and general club news. There is an editor, assistant editor, and each club in the county has a reporter. The home demonstration agent, Doris Anderson, is adviser to the staff.

Other club papers received are Rockbridge Four-H Club News, Lexington, Va.; St. Louis County Boys and Girls Club News, Virginia, Minn.; The Run About, Newton, Jasper County, Iowa; Kent County 4-H Klubber, Kent County, Mich.; and Eddy County Screech Owl, New Rockford, North Dak.; issued from the county extension offices.

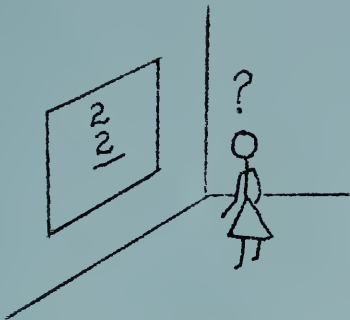
A new kind of newspaper "morgue" is maintained by the Eddy County Screech Owl. Names of all clubs failing to hold a meeting within the month and reporting it to the Screech Owl are dumped "in the morgue" and thus displayed in the paper.



Suggestions to aid county extension agents in their club work are mimeographed in three circulars by the California extension service. Included are (a) county club council meetings; (b) selection and supervision of local club leaders; and (c) making a county club program. Another series of suggestions is printed for local leaders. The seven numbers in it are (1) what club work is; (2) agricultural club projects; (3) agricultural club meetings; (4) home demonstration projects; (5) demonstration teams; (6) closing contests and scoring club members; (7) club activities. The general plan followed by the agents in using the latter is to take up one circular at each county council meeting, giving a copy to each leader.

"Score cards for judging clothing selection and construction," by Ruth O'Brien, Maude Campbell, and Mary Aleen Davis, United States Bureau of Home Economics, is off the press (Misc. Circ. M90). It was prepared, say the authors, in the hope that it may assist in the progress toward uniformity in score cards used. Cards submitted by State clothing specialists were studied in the compiling of those in the bulletin. Score cards covering selection and construction of clothing for all ages are included. There are two for household articles and accessories, one for group exhibits of clothing and household textiles, and a list of references on construction, design, economics, and textiles.

FIGURES HAVE THE FLOOR



The Cooperator, newspaper for Washington State extension service, runs a list of the 15 county people highest in percentage of completions in club work this past year. High man is W. J. Green, Spokane County club agent, on a 92.5 per cent completion record, but right on his heels is W. C. Donaldson, agricultural extension agent of Adams County with 92.1 per cent. Average for the State is 61.8 per cent.

An increase of 33 per cent in the number of clubs and a 61 per cent increase in enrollment over last year cheers North Carolina.

"We had," says Missouri, "9,000 club members in 1926."

Oregon counties with extension agents giving full time to club activities rolled up big figures--Clackamas, 501; Klamath, 282; Lane, 856; Multnomah, 783; Tillamook, 262. The city of Portland, which has an urban agent, had 1,119.

Completion percentages look much better on the 1926 reports, finds Elaine Massey, Mississippi girls' club agent, going from 25 up to 47.5 for this year.

Eighty-five per cent of Montana boys and girls undertaking club work in 1926 completed it, State Club Leader C. E. Potter says, observing, too, that 21 per cent of the membership was in the 15-20-year-old group and 44 per cent had been in club work two or more years.

Seminole County, Fla., has a club, the Crystal Lake, in which every member finished, including a report and an exhibit, although the county extension agent resigned in June.

Daviess County, Ind., started its first girls' club work this last year. Twenty-one clubs were organized with 300 members, altogether. The 14 members of one club finished and exhibited products, while most of the other clubs finished 80 per cent. County achievement day was attended by 175 girls.

Many Georgia counties are presenting certificates of award to club girls who have completed four years of successful club work and are making the occasion a real event. Luncheons or dinners by one of the local civic organizations are a frequent feature of the day, says Lois P. Dowdle, State girls' club agent.

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AMONG OURSELVES



"We need a national 4-H club manual, also a national 4-H uniform."--James E. Tanner, Mississippi State boys' club agent.

W. R. Ralston, California assistant State club leader, suggests that surveys and studies be made of the effectiveness of local leaders in assisting the extension agents with club work.

All previous winners of the Moses leadership trophy are to be invited to attend the next 4-H leadership training school at Camp Vail, fall of 1927, announced Milton Danziger, assistant general manager, Eastern States Exposition, Springfield, Mass. Present plans for the event look to attendance of young people from 28 States.

"A tabulation of club enrollments by States and projects would be interesting for comparison."--H. M. Jones, South Dakota State club leader.

"I believe I have been consistent in stating every time in the last 10 or 15 years that I had the opportunity, that in my opinion boys' and girls' club work was destined to be the biggest work to be carried on by the government." -- O. M. Plummer, secretary and general manager, Pacific International Livestock Exposition, Portland, Oreg., for whom the new Camp Plummer for Western States club members was named.

Mrs. Harriet F. Johnson, South Carolina State girls' club agent, is studying at Columbia University; expects to be there about 5 months.

C. W. Ferguson, assistant extension agent at large, Colorado, hopes that completion on the part of the club members will be stressed. "I think oftentimes we lose sight of the ultimate objectives on the part of the child. We will grant a big enrollment shows up fine, but it does not mean much to the club member."

George L. Farley, Massachusetts State club leader, read the club pledge in the first issue of the Club Leader and writes that he thinks the following pledge of some years' standing in New England is hard to beat:

As a 4-H club member, I pledge
My head to clearer thinking
My heart to greater loyalty
My health to better living
My hands to larger service

for
My club
My community
My country.

L A T E W I R E

June 20 designated 4-H Club Pioneers Day at national club camp, with Chief Pioneer J. A. Evans of the Washington office in charge. Members of first clubs and first club workers to attend. Program announced later.

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